



2188

Attorney's Docket No.: 042390.P3373

Patent

In re the Application of: Akiyama

(inventor(s))

Application No.: 09/164,898

Filed: October 1, 1998

For: Virtualized Striping Controller

(title)

RECEIVED

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

DEC 02 2003

Technology Center 2100

SIR: Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for the above-referenced application.

 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

XX No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1)		(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)
	Claims Remaining After Amd.		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra
Total Claims	19	Minus	20	0
Indep. Claims	4	Minus	6	0
<input type="checkbox"/>	First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim(s)			

* If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.

** If the "Highest No. Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space.

*** If the "Highest No. Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, write "3" in this space. The "Highest No. Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found from the equivalent box in Col. 1 of a prior amendment or the number of claims originally filed.

SMALL ENTITY

Rate	Additional Fee
X9	\$
X43	\$
+145	\$
Total Add. Fee	\$

OTHER THAN A
SMALL ENTITY

Rate	Additional Fee
X18	\$
X86	\$
+290	\$
Total Add. Fee	\$ 0.00

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail with sufficient postage in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

on November 25, 2003
Date of Deposit

Leah Schwenke

Name of Person Mailing Correspondence

Leah Schwenke

Signature

November 25, 2003

Date

_____ A check in the amount of \$ _____ is attached for presentation of additional claim(s).
_____ Applicant(s) hereby Petition(s) for an Extension of Time of _____ month(s) pursuant to
_____ 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).

_____ A check for \$ _____ is attached for processing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

_____ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 02-2666 the amount of \$ _____.

A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

X _____ The Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States
Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees
associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2666
(a duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed):

X _____ Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 for presentation of
extra claims.

X _____ Any extension or petition fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

BLAKELY SOKOLOFF TAYLOR & ZAFMAN LLP

Date: November 25, 2003

12400 Wilshire Boulevard
Seventh Floor
Los Angeles, California 90025
(303) 740-1980



Mark L. Watson

Reg. No. 46,322



Out Docket No: 042390.P3373

#34/M
pay
12-803

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
)
Akiyama)
)
Application No: 09/164,898)
)
Filed: October 1, 1998)
)
For: Virtualized Striping Controller)
_____)

Examiner: Vital, Pierre M.

Art Unit: 2188

RECEIVED

DEC 02 2003

Technology Center 2100

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop: Non Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 17, 2003, applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to enter the following amendments and to consider the following remarks.

FIRST CLASS CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that I am causing the above-referenced correspondence to be deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail with sufficient postage on the date indicated below and that this paper or fee has been addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

November 25, 2003

Date of Deposit

Leah Schwenke

Name of Person Mailing Correspondence

Leah Schwenke

Signature

11/25/03

Date

Docket No.: 042390.P3373
Application No.: 09/164,898